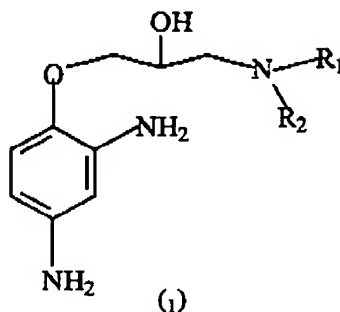


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### THE CLAIMS

1. (amended) A compound of formula (1):



wherein R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are each individually selected from the group consisting of ~~hydrogen atoms, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>3</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>3</sub> mono or dihydroxyalkyl~~, phenyl or benzyl optionally substituted with a hydroxyl, amino or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>3</sub> alkoxy group, or R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>6</sub> saturated or unsaturated ring ~~optionally~~ containing in the ring one or more additional hetero atoms selected from O, S and N atoms.

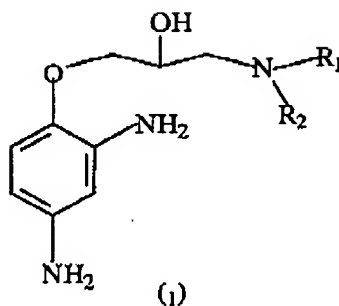
2. (amended) A compound of Claim 1 wherein R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are each individually selected from the group consisting of ~~hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>3</sub> alkyl group~~, phenyl or benzyl optionally substituted with an alkoxy group, or R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bound form a piperazine, ~~piperidine, or an imidazole, or morpholine~~ ring.

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25. (new) A compound of formula (1):



wherein  $R_1$  is hydrogen and  $R_2$  is selected from the group consisting of phenyl or benzyl substituted with a hydroxyl, amino or  $C_1$  to  $C_3$  alkoxy group, or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a  $C_3$  to  $C_5$  saturated or unsaturated ring optionally containing in the ring one or more additional hetero atoms selected from O, S and N atoms.

26. (new) A compound of Claim 25 wherein  $R_1$  is hydrogen and  $R_2$  is methoxyphenyl.

27. (new) A compound of formula (1):